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1. Cast Pig Iron Plan for First Quarter 1952

The planned production figure has been set at 23,000 tons. As of 18 March 1952, actual production during the first quarter amounted to 20,642 tons, obtained from the following mills:

Eisenhüttenkombinat Ost (EKO)	2,622 tons
Maxhütte	14,651 "
Eisenwerk West (EWV)	3,365 "

As these figures indicate, another 2,358 tons must be produced in the period 19 - 31 March in order to satisfy the quarterly quota.

2. The analysis of the cast pig iron production undertaken on 15 March lost its validity because of the breakdown of furnace No. 1 in Calbe. Consequently, the Maxhütte was ordered to smelt cast pig iron D Ia in furnace No. 3 until 25 March. On the occasion of a visit which chief engineer Linder and BGL member Thomas of the Maxhütte paid to the Ministry on 30 February for the purpose of discussing the difficulties they have in filling their quota of Thomas steel, the following agreement was reached: After 19 March, the Maxhütte is to produce 1,500 tons of cast pig iron D Ia. At the same time, furnace No. 3 will be switched to the production of Thomas steel. Until 31 March, the Eisenwerke West, Calbe, will deliver 800 tons of cast pig iron; this figure is based on the output of furnace No. 2 as well as on the assumption that furnace No. 1 will be in operation again during the last three days of the month.

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3. In the steel plants are stored considerable quantities of iron of a high silicon content produced by Eisenhüttenkombinat Ost. Attempts are now being made to sort out of these stocks, by means of the available analyses, an adequate quantity of crude iron which can be used as cast pig iron. This measure is designed to fulfill the cast pig iron plan for the first quarter. As of 18 March, the chill casting foundries subordinated to the Ministry of Smelting and Mining had received 4,770 tons as compared to a need of 10,000 tons (the quota was, however, only 6,330 tons).

4. Cast Pig Iron Plan for Second Quarter of 1952

The plan calls for a total of 29,000 tons, broken down as follows:

Maxhütte	13,000 tons
EKO	4,000 "
EW	12,000 "

The breakdown by month appears as follows:

	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>
Maxhütte	9,000	2,080	1,920
EKO	-	-	4,000
EW	3,400	3,600	5,000

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This plan goes on the assumption that furnace No. 3 of the Maxhütte will produce casting pig iron after 1 April.

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